

Lesson Plan for 4th Grade: Alabama History

Lesson Title: The 4 Native American Tribes in Alabama

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Time Required: 30-45 minutes

Theme: The location of the 4 Native American tribes in Alabama. How they use their local resources as a part of their everyday way of life.

Goal: The students will understand that the Native Americans were here before the white man arrived in Alabama. The students will have an insight into the daily life of the American Indian.

Materials Needed:

1. A map of the Southeast in 1800's showing the tribes of Alabama
2. A handout with information about the daily life of the tribes
3. A table to use to show the comparisons of everyday life

Essential Questions:

1. The 4 Native American tribes of Alabama in the 1800's?
2. What were their daily lives like?

Essential Understanding:

The students will be able to take about the daily life of the 4 tribes.

Background:

Students will be looking at a map of the Southeast during the 1800's showing where the 4 tribes lived in Alabama. They will also have handouts about the daily life of the tribes.

Information Concerning the Daily Life of Native Groups can be found in the following articles:

<http://www.encyclopediaofalabama.org/article/h-1087>

<http://www.encyclopediaofalabama.org/article/h-1487>

<http://www.encyclopediaofalabama.org/article/h-1186>

<http://www.encyclopediaofalabama.org/article/h-1088>

A. The Opener Activity: Ask a few students: "Who can name something about the daily life of a Native American?"

B. The Development Phase:

On the smart board, display images of the 4 tribes of Alabama during the 1800's. Talk about the pictures as you are displaying them. (15-20 minutes)

C. Conclusion Phase:

Divide the class into groups of 4 in each group. Give students the handout on the 4 tribes. Assign a tribe to each student for them to read and fill in the table about their tribe. (10-20 minutes)

Assignments:

Formative Assessment: The teacher will be looking for students' ability to discuss the daily life of the tribes.

Summative Assessment: Written Assignment (Homework)

Write two paragraphs showing how your life is alike and different from a Native American Child.

Alabama Course of Study: Social Studies

Explain the social, political, and economic impact of the War of 1812, including battles and significant leaders of the Creek War, on Alabama.

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Example Comparison Chart

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